1987 we have given Rs. 1.31 lakhs to Andhra Pradesh for honey-making process.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Recommendations of the National Council of Power Utilities

*104. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what measures were suggested by the Chairman, APSEB in the Seminar organised by the National Council of Power Utilities in January, 1988; and

(b) what is Government's reaction to each one of them and what is the implementation stage of those suggestions which have been accepted by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) In the seminar organised by the National Council of Power Utilities in January, 1988, Chairman, APSEB, made various suggestions which include an increasing role for Central power generating units, a uniform tariff throughout the country, increased autonomy for State Electricity Boards, separate organisations for power generation/transmission and for distribution, and supply of energy required by the agricultural sector from Central generating stations at a uniform rate.

(b) The State Electricity Boards are autonomous oragnisations set up under the Electricty (Supply) Act, 1948. The Act charges them, *inter alia*, with the duties of generation and supply of electricity in the most efficient and economical manner. The Boards are also empowered, under the said Act and subject to its provisions, to prescribe the terms and conditions of supply of power and to frame tariffs.

The share of the Central sector in the generation of power has increased from about 11 per cent in 1979-80 to about 22 per cent in 1987-88. Power from Central sector stations is supplied in bulk to the State Electricity Boards whose prerogative it is, as autonomous bodies, to distribute it within their jurisdictions. The matter regarding separate cadres for the generation and distribution of power has already been brought to the notice of the State authorities earlier.

Kadamparai Power Project

*105. SHRI K. GOPALAN:

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the salient features of Kadamparai Power Project;

(b) how many units are presently working and how much power they generate;

(c) what were the reasons for the delay in commissioning the project in time; and

(d) what is the total cost of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) to (d) The Kadamparai hydro-electric power project is a State sector project located in Tamil Nadu. It has a capacity of 4x100 MW and the estimated cost of the project is about Rs. 172 crores. At present two units of 100 MW each are working in the generation mode. Another unit of 100 MW has been rotated on 30-3-1988. During 1987-88, about 250 lakh units were generated by the project. The commissioning of the project has been delayed mainly